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croaking on this point, deal more with the prospective
of the fact. They delight in lamp runs,
and bandy them about as much as they can.
Adelaide City and Port Railway Loan, at the
rate \$200,000; the Gawler Town Railway, at the
rate \$200,000; Harbour Trust, £100,000; the City
Water Works, in Adelaide, £100,000; the Adelaide
Water Works, in the £1,230,000. But the water
has bathed as water has." As yet these loans
for the most part are in *suspens*. Not more
than £100,000 have been borrowed under the Act
authorising them, and one-fourth of that sum has
emerged out of our surplus Ordinary and Land Fund
Revenue. Our total indebtedness on this head does
not exceed £1,600,000, a much smaller sum
than the colony owed when it first came into
being. It is not so much that we have lost three-
fourths of its present population, and not equal by some
thousands of pounds to our Land Fund Revenue for
1885, as that the Government has refused to allow
to be negotiated to their full extent the loans which
submit, the point under discussion. It is with
the actual, and not the prospective indebtedness of
the colony that we have to deal, and that indebtedness
will maintain down not exceed £300,000.—*Adelaide
Times.*

CHURCH EXTENSION.—A meeting was held at the
Scott's Church, Goulburn, on Saturday evening last,
for the purpose of discussing measures for the promo-
tion of the cause of Church Extension in New South
Wales was not numerous, though very respectable.
Amongst the parties assembled we noticed a number
of Messrs. W. Hargrave, J. B. Fergusson, M. G.
Ferguson, Manager of the Union Bank of Australia
chair. After singing a portion of the 122nd Psalm,
the Rev. Mr. Penneycock, of Broadwood, offered up a
prayer for the success of the proposed scheme of
revolution.—That it is the duty of every
Christian people to contribute of their means for the
support of the Gospel and the extension

seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried. To the Reverend William Ross proposed the second resolution—"That considering the number of Abyssinians in the interior of the colony who are destitute of religious instruction, and that it is desirable to raise funds in aid of the Church Extension Scheme of the Synod of Australia, to enable the body to furnish, as far as possible, the means of grace to those the Free Presbyterian community are so severely deprived of all those spiritual blessings." Mr. F. Ross seconded the resolution, which was adopted *non. con.* The third resolution was proposed by Mr. Ferguson—"That we meeting cordially approves of the object of the Church Extension Scheme, and will cheerfully support it to the utmost of its power." Mr. McKeon seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Mr. W. Ross said that the formal business of the meeting having been concluded, he would direct their attention to the want of active exertion in their own immediate neighbourhood. He agreed with the old charge—"Charity begins at home," and if that charge were properly exercised, it would expand rather than themselves in the long run. The rev. gentleman proceeded to present the religious destitution that existed in the outlying portions of the colonies of Australia. Georgia, where many of their Presbyterians brethren were unable to hear the Gospel preached for four, six, and twelve miles together; and urged that it was a great per se exercise of charity to send out a missionary, that they who enjoyed the blessings of attending public worship should endeavour to place those far away in the same position. He said that he was now favourably circumstanced. As he himself was now a little without their assistance. As showing the necessity of the work proposed. The rev. gentleman related a distressing circumstance of his own recent experience. A solitary ship, with a single crew, was in the name of the Saviour was a novel sound. He suggested

the formation of a society in Goulburn, with the view of sending local missionaries into the bush. An interesting account of the proceedings of the several gentlemen took part. It appeared that a similar organization to that proposed existed some years, but that the gold discovery put a stop to its operation. It was decided that the first object should be to come together to take measures for the revival of local exertion. After the benediction, the meeting separated.—*Goulburn Chronicle*

A Damsel's Life GUANO.—Do not organize your society for the control of a single seminary; nothing can be more dangerous. Bolder or bolder it would be necessary to retrace your steps, and it is better not to start in a wrong direction. I have told you already that I am not a member of the Society of Friends in the Neopolitans. I say this especially with respect to your kitchen and the guards of your person: let you should be poisoned or assassinated, I must be able to point my finger at the place, I know place to be residence attended by your own servants, and that your household be so arranged that you may be guarded by Frenchmen. You have not been sufficiently acquainted with my private life, I know place to be residence, my most trusty and oldest soldiers.—*Confidential Correspondence of Napoleon the First*

REVENUE AND THE CONSCIENCE.—CHURCHMAN:—It is reported that Henry VIII. once near a gibbet where a man was going to be hanged, gave peremptory orders that the execution should not take place until the criminal had said his prayers. "I am here," said the criminal, "and I will say my prayers." As he refused to comply with the condition, and as the executioner did not dare to hang him till he had done so, the man lived to an advanced age, and died quietly in his bed.

The public Protestant schools of Liverpool contain 21,048 children.

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